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TARC Newsletter

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Meetings: 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 PM at the Titusville Public Library 2121 S. Hopkins Ave. Next: April 25th

"Eating Meeting" Every Thursday 5:30 to 6:30PM at a local restaurant. Talk-in 146.91 or call Sherry KU4ZO at 279-2796.

The President's Corner By Bud Hughes K4CWG

Space Shuttle 25th Anniversary Special Event is now history. My thanks to all club member who participated. A special thanks to John WB3JBK, Pat KA3AAG, Jose KC4VIO and Carole KC4VIN for their hard work and leadership in the execution of this enjoyable event. To Carl AA4MI we owe a big thanks for making this all happen. The Event call sign N4S was most appropriate.

As of today John KE4ZPA is still in Florida South hospital where he has undergone open-heart surgery. John is not doing well. Your prayers for our dear friend are requested.

Rob KI4DYJ has purchased a replacement repeater for the club coordinated 444.15 frequency. The new repeater and antenna is scheduled to be installed alongside the 146.91. Thanks Rob it will be nice to have a 440 repeater in operation at a more convenient location.

Lyle KI4MYT has applied to the Florida Repeater Council for a co-coordinated frequency pair on the 2 Meter Band. This repeater will be located at the Great Outdoors.

President's Corner Con't

Thanks to radio class instructor Don AD4S and to Lyle for making this class possible there are new additions to this wonderful hobby called ham radio.

Our "Snowbirds" friends are beginning to sense the snow melting and have taken note of the mercury appearing higher in the tube are beginning to drift back to their real homes to the North. We will miss your smiling face but will certainly keep in touch via some means of communications.

There will be a TARC Board of Director meeting Tuesday April 18th at the Public Library. Should you have business you feel should be brought before the board feel free to come and share your thoughts.

At the board meeting this year's Fieldday event (6/24 – 6/25) will be on the agenda. At the April 25th club meeting the board's proposal will be presented to the club at which time club will approve or make changes as approved.

Hope to see you at the club meeting 4/25/2006. Bring a friend.
Bud K4CWG 73's

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Abell's Anecdotes By Pike Abell W4EPU
Continued from last month..
The following is a repeat of the first Abell's Anecdote, as published in the April 1993 issue of the TARC Newsletter

THE DEER HUNT

1:00 A.M.	Alarm Clock Rings
2:00 A.M.	Hunting partners arrive, Drag you out of bed.
2:30 A.M.	Throw everything except the kitchen sink in the pickup.
3:00 A.M.	Leave for the deep woods.
3;15 A.M.	Drive back home to pick up gun.
3:30 A.M.	Drive like hell to get to the woods before daylight.
4:00 A.M.	Set up camp - forgot tent.
4:30 A.M.	Head into the woods.
6:05 A.M.	See eight deer. Take aim and squeeze trigger. "Click".
6:08 A.M.	Load gun while watching deer go over hill.
8:00 A.M.	Head back to camp.
9:00 A.M.	Still looking for camp.
12:00 Noon	Fire gun for help - eat wild berries.
12:15 P.M.	Ran out of bullets - eight deer came back.
12:20 P.M.	Strange feeling in stomach.
12:45 P.M.	Rescued.
12:55 P.M.	Rushed to hospital - Had stomach pumped.
3:00 P.M.	Arrived back at camp.
3:30 P.M.	Leave camp to hunt deer.
4:00 P.M.	Return to camp for bullets.

4:01 P.M. Load gun - leave camp.
5:00 P.M. Empty gun on squirrel that's bugging you.
6:00 P.M. Arrive at camp - deer grazing in camp.
6:01 P.M. Load gun - fire gun - one dead pickup.
6:05 P.M. Hunting partner returns to camp dragging deer.
6:06 P.M. Repress strong desire to shoot hunting partner.
6:07 P.M. Fall into fire.
6:10 P.M. Change clothes - throw burned ones into fire.
6:15 P.M. Take pickup - leave partner and his deer in woods.
6:25 P.M. Pickup boils over - hole shot in block - start walking.
6:30 P.M. Stumble and fall - drop gun in mud.
6:36 P.M. Meet bear - take aim - fire gun - blow up barrel plugged with mud.
6:39 P.M. Mess pants.
6:50 P.M. Bear departs - wrap gun around tree.
Midnight Home at last.
Sunday Watch football game on TV - slowly tear up hunting license into little pieces - place in envelope and mail to Game warden with instructions on where to stick it

73s es 88s Pike.

Silent Key Equipment for Sale

ICOM 775DSP (200 Watt) Hf Transceiver, it has the mod available to bring up to NTIA. $1000.00. ICOM 2 Meter HT (IC-T7A). $75.00. ICOM Dual Bander Mobile Radio (IC2350). $100.00 Yeasu Dual Bander Mobile Radio (FT8800). $180.00 Ameritron ALS-600 Transistor Linear Amplifier. $500.00. Dual Band Linear Amplifier (For HT's)(4W - in 35 W/2m 45W/440) Mirage BD-35. $50.00.

2 Antenna Tuner's MFJ-945E - $40.00 ea. Antenna Tuner MFJ-969 - $50.00 Antenna Tuner MFJ-949E (New in Box) $70.00 Two Antenna Tuner 's - 2m/440 meter Dual Band MFJ-922 (For HT's). $25.00 ea.

Astatic Amplified Microphone Model D-104 with stand (New in Box) . $20.00 Heil HM-10 Desktop Microphone. **$50.00.**

Astron Power Supply Model RS-10A 13.8 VDC (7.5 amp. Continuous/10 amps. surge). $30.00 Astron Power Supply Model RS-12A 13.8 VDC (9 amp. Continuous/12 amps. surge). $30.00 MFJ Adjustable Switch Power Supply MFJ-4245MV (40 amps.). (New in Box) $100.00 Low Pass Filter. (Vectronics LP-30 1500w). $40.00. Portable Generator - 15,000 Watts (has wheels) New, never used. Asking $2000.00 Switches, filters and cables available.

Contact Jim Harris / K9VN on the 91 machine or call (321) 636-7743

March Meeting Minutes By Cathy Johnson KI4GMF, Secretary

On March 28, 2006 TARC held its monthly meeting. Stephanie Phillips K4MVO spoke about a big CERT exercise which took place at BCC in Cocoa on March 25. Some of our TARC members that also belong to CERT took part. One of the big problems which arose during the exercise was communications. She also spoke about an event that was to take place on April 2- the ride for the Red. This a bicycle ride to raise funds for the American Red Cross. She said that help was needed with communications. Also on the program was John WB3JBK who spoke about N4S-NASA 4 Space which is an event commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Space Shuttle. There several opportunities to help with this event. The primary site will be at the Florida Space Authority in Cape Canaveral but any ham can take part from their home location. For more information contact Jose' KC4VIO.
Cathy KI4GMF

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TREASURERS REPORT

Beginning balance 1/1/06	$4173.31
Deposits in 2006	2172.00
Total Income	$6345.31
YTD Expenditures	-1195.53
Balance as at 4/7/06	$5149.78

TARC VOLUNTEERS

Four members of the Titusville Amateur Radio Club helped provide communications for the American Red Cross **Ride for the Red** on April 1st. Jimmy KF4ZOL, Alan KI4GOB and Bob W4YBI rode in emergency repair vehicles on the three bicycle courses. Ozzie N4SCY not only put in time as Net Control. He also jumped in his personal car to escort one of the riders back to the start/finish line when was unable to complete the 100 mile course.

Ozzie also was among the volunteers for the **Brevard County Mock Disaster drill** at BCC in Cocoa. In addition, TARC members Allan Hobron KC2DPP, David Rowell KI4JVU, David Norton AI4FY, Alan Johnson KI4GOB, Jimmy Edwards KF4ZOL and Stephanie Phillips K4MVO helped provide comm support for the CERT teams being trained. Lyle Schultz KI4MYT and Mike Fontana, N1RFD also pitched in

Jose Ramos KC4VIN and John Porter KB3JBK took the lion's share of the work for the special event marking the **25th anniversary of the first shuttle flight**. Other TARC members who's voices or CW keys made N4S come alive included Bud Hughes K4CWG, Pike Abell W4EPU, Ozzie Osband N4SCY, Carole Ann Ramos KC4VIN, Gary Johnson W4RBI, Jan Ferguson W4REN, Alan Johnson KI4GOB, Cathy Johnson KI4GMF and Pat Porter KA3AAG. Many thanks to all.